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FAIRMONT FIELD.

All Signs Point to the Miners Joining the Strike.

MEETING TO BE HELD TO-DAY

At Fairmont to be Addressed by Debs and Others.

IT WILL BE THE TURNING POINT

And the Occasion is Being Looked to with the Greatest Interest--It is the General Impression that the Men will Attend the Mass Meeting, and that They will Fail to Show Up at the Mines for Work on Monday--Big Break in Kanawha and New River Region--A General Tie-up Expected to Take Place To-day -- Arbitration Commissioners Still Profess to Believe that the "True Uniformity Plan" will be Successful in Settling the Strike.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., July 16.--The events of last night and to-day show plainly that it is the intention of the miners of this region to come out, and the time of the action is supposed to be to-morrow, when Debs, Sovereign, Hatchford and Gompers are billed here for an address.

It is the opinion that if the men can be got out to the meeting they will not go back to work in the mines. The general impression seems to be that the men will attend this meeting, notwithstanding to-morrow is pay day, and will fail to show up on Monday morning. It is announced positively to-night that the O'Donnell miners will come out, and from a meeting held at Monongah last night and addressed by one or two agitators, it is almost sure they will follow suit. The meeting here to-morrow is being looked forward to with the greatest interest by both miners and operators, as it is expected to be the turning point.

A BIG BREAK

In the Kanawha Valley--Six Hundred Men Out--Strike Spreading.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer. CHARLESTON, W. Va., July 16.--The unrest among the miners in the New River and Kanawha regions of the last day or two, due to the work of agitators, has given away to a general tendency to strike in the mines along the Kanawha valley.

To-day the miners in the Kanawha valley are out in eight mines, making a total of about 600 men. The strike appears to be spreading, and indications now point to a general tie-up. Meetings are being held and the agitators are getting in their work effectively. The men who went out yesterday and were expected to go back to work to-day, are still out.

A meeting of miners will be held at Cedar Grove to-day and will be addressed by John Dilleher, member of the executive committee of the United Mine Workers. There is no ill feeling manifested between the operators and the miners, the former not being particularly averse to a strike under the demoralized condition of the markets, and the advanced freight rates.

The sudden going out of the miners in this section and the tendency to a general strike was entirely unexpected a few days ago, and contrary to the indications then existing. It is thought possible, however, that some of the striking miners will resume work if a further increase in the price paid them can be made.

Norfolk and Western Field.

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., July 16.--miners working in the Logan Consolidated mines at Matewan, this county, came out to-day and joined the strikers. They this morning marched en masse to Thacker, five miles east, where they are now trying to induce the men who are in the four mines at that place to come out. Superintendent Hunter, of the Logan mines, will put on a force of non-union men to-morrow at the old office, and this may provoke a disturbance, although it is now quiet. Three carloads of non-union men were put on to the Tom's Creek mines in the Elk-horn field yesterday. It is reported that the men at Pocahontas, in this field, came out to-day. Indications now point to a general strike in the Norfolk & Western field.

Unrest in Clarkburg District.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., July 16.--The mines are all working here to-day, and outwardly everything is running smoothly, but there is an undercurrent of uneasiness among the operators and dissatisfaction among the miners, and there is no doubt that to-morrow will settle whether a strike will be declared or not. Delegations of miners will attend the meeting at Monongah, where President Hatchford and Eugene V. Debs will speak, and there is a strong probability that a general strike for this region will be declared. New men continue to arrive here and all are given work, and operators are loading all the cars the roads furnish. Coal is being shipped to Cleveland and Chicago.

A REGION OF DULLNESS

At Miners' Headquarters and Throughout the Battle Pittsburgh District.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 16.--Dullness at miners' headquarters and in all the mines in the Pittsburgh district and unusual activity in the coal market characterize the features of the strike to-day. For a strike so general, it causes the least excitement, peace seems to prevail everywhere, but how long this state of affairs will continue to exist cannot be even guessed. The miners are apparently willing to be idle, and as yet suffering of no consequence has been reported at district headquarters.

The miners' officials were very much elated over news from West Virginia. Several telegrams from organizers in that section of an encouraging nature were received.

"There is nothing startling to report from any of the districts," said President Dolan. "The men, with the exception of a very few, are out, and we are satisfied with the situation."

Coal took another tumble in price to-day. It sold for \$1.25 at the mine, a drop of 25 cents from the day previous. A tour among the operators demonstrated that there was plenty of coal on hand. It was learned that the Penn Gas Coal Company, Westmoreland Gas Coal Company, Manor Shaft, Keystone Coal Company, Washington Run Coal Company,

the Boone and Allison mines were furnishing considerable coal. It was estimated that the mines east of Pittsburgh are furnishing 150 cars a day.

Nearly all the empty coal cars in the Pittsburgh district are finding their way to the West Virginia coal fields. The Baltimore & Ohio took several trains of them to-day. It was also learned that 250 cars a day were going from the Pocahontas coal field in West Virginia into Cleveland. The records show that a cargo of 2,000 tons was loaded Wednesday, a similar one on Thursday, and the Northwing was loaded to-day with the same amount. Another cargo will be loaded to-morrow. The price is \$2.30 alongside or free on board the vessel.

West Virginia Programme.

It was learned to-night that the programme of the miners' officials is to bring out all the men possible in the West Virginia field and then bring all the organizers to Pittsburgh. It is expected that the terms will be made here, as the district is looked upon as the most interesting point after West Virginia has been disposed of. The miners' hopes are high, and they are confident that there will be a good story to tell from West Virginia Monday morning.

The lukewarmness of National President Hatchford and the belittling attitude of District President Dolan has put somewhat of a damper on the true uniformity plan, but President Dolan says that notwithstanding his private opinion concerning Mr. De Armit's has been and will continue doing everything in his power to further the consummation of the scheme.

Gen. Little and Mr. De Armit left this evening at 8 o'clock for Philadelphia to consult with officials of the Westmoreland, Penn. Keystone and other coal companies, along the line of the Pennsylvania railroad, with the end in view of securing their co-operation in the uniformity plan.

All of the arbitration board except B. Frank Schmid, of Indiana, are now out of the city. Edward Ridgely and Horace Caley are in Chicago, and L. P. McCormack at Indianapolis for the purpose of interesting operators of these states in the proposition for a settlement of the strike. They expect to have a general meeting of the operators of the five states in Pittsburgh next Monday or Tuesday, when the commissioners believe an amicable settlement will be reached.

President Dolan is arranging for a conference with the leaders in the Clearfield and Cambria regions, where the men are working and are under the delusion that they are not interfering with the success of the strike. A great deal of coal is coming from these fields and goes to fill contracts at the lakes. It is believed the miners can be induced to come out.

Formed Permanent Board.

PITTSBURGH, July 16.--The arbitration commission of the five states, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, West Virginia and western Pennsylvania, formed a permanent board with the object of urging the adoption of the uniformity plan with all operators. Gen. Little, of Ohio, was made president, and B. Frank Schmid, of Indiana, secretary. Gen. Little is preparing the agreement and is making it so binding that it is believed there can be no way for evasion on the part of any operator who may attack his signature to it. He was at work all morning and will have it completed before the close of the day. President De Armit is also working hard to bring success to the movement.

Deploable Condition of Miners.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 16.--A staff correspondent of the Sentinel has been investigating the conditions in the Indiana coal fields this week and reports a deplorable condition, the miners already practically starving. The block coal miners of Clay county, 2,500 in number, are all out and a commissariat has been opened at Brazil to feed them. At Fontaine, Ind., in the bituminous field, the worst conditions exist. These miners have had practically no work for a long time and now they are existing on one meal a day. Conditions are the same at other localities.

Will Offer the Columbus Scale.

DANVILLE, Ill., July 16.--The Kelly, Pawnee, Glenburn and Brookside companies signed an agreement to-day to offer to the miners of this district the Columbus scale. These companies mine about a million of the million and a half tons produced annually in this district.

HANNA'S POSITION

On Coal Miners' Strike--He is in Sympathy with Arbitration. WASHINGTON, July 16.--The following telegram sent out yesterday was received by Senator Hanna to-day:

"PITTSBURGH, July 16. "Hon. M. A. Hanna, Washington. "With earnest co-operation of Cleveland operators in Pittsburgh districts strong probability of securing uniformity agreement which miners and DeArmit say, and we believe, would result in settlement of strike. Can such assistance be had?" (Signed.)

"OWEN, LITTLE & BISHOP."

The following response was wired immediately: "Owen, Little & Bishop, Pittsburgh. "Telegram received. Our coal interests at Pittsburgh are represented by Mr. Thomas Young, who is there and will co-operate along the lines suggested, will wire Cleveland urging other operators to join the movement. Will gladly co-operate and will urge other operators to do the same." (Signed)

"M. A. HANNA."

Governor Hastings' Action.

COLUMBUS, O., July 16.--President Hatchford, in speaking of the action of Governor Hastings in signing the miners' bill just passed by the Pennsylvania legislature, providing for the weighing of coal before it is screened, said:

"It is the strongest expression of friendship for the cause that Governor Hastings could have made at this particular time."

Five Hundred Men Idle.

ALEXANDRIA, Ind., July 16.--By a strike of the bit-drawers at the plant of the Kelly Axe Manufacturing Company 500 men are made idle. The strikers claim that they are not paid for axes called "seconds." The factory, which is the only important one of the kind in the United States, will be closed indefinitely.

Free Monongahela Celebration.

PITTSBURGH, July 16.--The freeing of the Monongahela river through the purchase of the property of the Monongahela Navigation Company by the

United States government was celebrated to-day by a grand naval demonstration and a mass meeting at Davis Island dam.

Sixty-five boats participated in the parade which was the finest naval display ever seen here. At the dam addresses were made by Hon. George C. Sturgis, of Morgantown, W. Va., Hon. C. L. Magee, Mayor Ford, John S. Dravo and others.

DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

Large Attendance at the Convention. Election of Officers.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. MARTINSBURG, W. Va., July 16.--The state division of the Daughters of the Confederacy met in convention here to-day, at the court house, which was gayly decorated for the occasion, with National and Confederate colors. All but three of the ten chapters were represented, and the attendance was large.

In the absence of the president, Mrs. C. H. Hill, of Romney, who was too ill to come, Mrs. Dr. J. W. McSherry, of this place, opened the convention and presided. Miss Nora Weyer acted as secretary. Prayer was offered by Rev. S. G. Ferguson, of the southern Methodist church.

Mrs. McSherry welcomed the delegates and visitors in a beautiful and touching address, concluding as follows: "Let us be linked together by a chain that can never be broken. As the proud Daughters of the Confederacy of West Virginia, let harmony and kind feeling exist among us and let as many of us as possible meet annually to tell the pathetic story of our work."

The report of the state president was read, showing the total membership to be about 400. A discussion arose in the convention over the defeat of a motion to join the United Daughters of the Confederacy, which resulted in the withdrawal of the Shepherdstown chapter from the state division, as it had already connected itself with the United Daughters.

These officers were unanimously elected: President, Mrs. Dr. J. W. McSherry, Martinsburg; vice presidents, Miss Lulu McCarty, Romney, and Mrs. E. B. Faulkner, Martinsburg. Inspector, Miss Moore, Wheeling. Treasurer, Mrs. Robert White, Wheeling. Corresponding secretary, Miss Colston, Martinsburg. Recording secretary, Miss Ella McCurdy, Charleston. Charleston was selected as the place to hold the next meeting. "God be with you till we meet again," was sung and the convention adjourned.

Senator Harris' Successor.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 16.--A special to the Post from Knoxville, Tenn., says: Governor Taylor remains at Johnson City trying to decide what to do about the appointment of a successor to Senator Harris. It is his desire to postpone the matter a few weeks, but such pressure is being forced upon him that an appointment may be made at any time. The new senator will be either T. M. Insley, of west Tennessee, or James Richardson and Benton McMillin, of middle Tennessee. While Governor Taylor favors McMillin, the indications are that Insley is gaining strength.

Armor Amendment Agreed To.

WASHINGTON, July 16.--The house to-day agreed to the partial conference report on the general deficiency appropriation bill and then concurred in the senate amendment fixing the limit of cost of armor plate for the three battle ships, now building, at \$300 per ton. This was the main item still in dispute between the two houses. A strong effort was made to induce the house to agree to a substitute provision fixing the limit at \$400 as recommended by the secretary of the navy, but after a three hours' debate, the house by a vote of 142-45, the house concurred in the senate amendment.

Couldn't be Present.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. WASHINGTON, July 16.--At the last moment Representative Dovenor reluctantly abandoned the intention to be with the Monongahela river people to-day, to participate in their jubilee over the free river. He said of all he has had in prospect that was a trip most desired. The uncertainty attending the tariff bill prevented acceptance of the invitation. Mr. Dovenor expects to leave early next week for Loch Lynn, to remain for the summer.

West Virginia Pensions.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. WASHINGTON, July 16.--Pension certificates have been issued to West Virginia applicants as follows: Original, John Greenfield, Martinsburg. Original, John F. Vance, Christiani. James C. Carr, Sileth; Moses Richards, St. Albans. Increase--Nathaniel Pettit, Creston. Re-issuance--Benj. R. Clovis, Stouts Mills. Widows--Wanless, Wanless; Hannah A. Myers, Odell Lorinda, Herr, Grafton; Rosanna Johnson, Milton. Mexican war survivor, Increase--George W. Otis, Crickeater.

Locating Industrial Enterprises.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. WASHINGTON, July 16.--Representative Dayton is engaged with a number of capitalists in a move to secure the location of several industrial enterprises in the lumber region of the Second district. If successful it means large investments in that section.

Powderly to be Appointed.

WASHINGTON, July 16.--It is understood among senators interested that the President has determined upon the appointment of Mr. Terrence V. Powderly, former grand master workman of the Knights of Labor, to be commissioner general of immigration to succeed Mr. Stump, and the commission will probably be sent to the senate within the next few days.

Tariff Conference Still Stuck.

WASHINGTON, July 16.--To-night the tariff conference are no nearer an agreement on the sugar schedule, which continues to be the main bone of contention, than they were when they began. Each side is standing out as firmly as ever for its own rates.

Gold from Alaska.

WASHINGTON, July 16.--Mr. Preston, the director of the mint, has received a telegram from the superintendent of the San Francisco mint, stating that \$500,000 in gold had arrived at that port from Alaska, and that an equal amount was expected to arrive next week.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

To an Excursion Party by Overturning of Carriage.

MR. A. W. CAMPBELL IN PARTY.

And Among Those who were Slightly Injured--One of the Ladies Dies After Being Removed to a Hospital--The Horses Attached to the Carriage Became Frightened and Overturned the Vehicle. Private Secretary to Ex-President Harrison Painfully Injured--Accident Happened at Bear Creek Falls, Colorado.

OURAY, Col., July 16.--By an accident on the toll road, late this afternoon, Miss Myrtle Shaw, of Pittsfield, Ill., was fatally injured and several others, all members of the Y. M. C. A. excursion, painfully hurt.

Among them was Major E. W. Halford, private secretary for former President Harrison. Just below Bear Creek falls the horses attached to the carriage in which Miss Shaw was riding with Major Halford, O. Rinehart, Dr. Elliott, all of Denver; Mr. A. W. Campbell, of Wheeling, W. Va., and Mrs. Kuhl, of Pueblo, became frightened and overturned the carriage with the result above stated.

Miss Shaw was injured about the head and died in the hospital here shortly after the accident. The injuries to the others are not believed to be serious.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONVENTION.

Twenty Thousand Delegates Present. Many Meetings Held.

TORONTO, Ont., July 16.--The Epworth Leaguers have kept on coming for two days, till to-day they muster over twenty thousand strong, and carry everything in front of them. Meetings they have in profusion, and speakers from "Greenland's icy mountains" and from Indian mission fields, all full of earnestness. To-day the meetings numbered no less than sixteen, and as there are anywhere up to a dozen speakers, who are limited to five minutes at each meeting, it is impossible for any one delegate to imbibed more than a certain part of all the good things going. However, they do their best. Note book in hand they rushed from meeting to meeting only stopping to show their appreciation of eloquence or sentiment by spontaneous applause.

The music is perhaps the most pleasing feature of the convention. Chorus of 150 to 200 voices are at each meeting, and as the good old hymns are sung, and a few thousand extra voices help out the choruses, the effect is inspiring. The topics under discussion to-day were spiritual, literary and social work, finance, mercy and help correspondence.

The junior leagues and missionary conferences were also held.

The department of spiritual work at Massey hall was conducted by Rev. G. S. Glendon, of Ottawa, Ont. Miss Grace Putnam, of Chattanooga, Tenn., gave an address on "Personal Work in the Chapter." "Revival Work in the Chapter," was handled by Charles O. Stannard, of St. Louis.

In the literary department, "The Value of Literary Work in the League," was the topic of Rev. J. G. Campbell, of Delphi, Ind., and was discussed in five minute speeches.

A. M. Shepler, of Pittsburgh, followed with suggestions as to an Epworth League course of reading, and Elvyn Swarthout, of Grand Rapids, Mich., spoke in a general way of "Literary Work in Epworth Assemblies." W. L. Woodcock, of Altoona, Pa., took up "Lectures and Lecture Courses," and H. A. Schroter, of Covington, Ky., closed the session with remarks on "How to Manage a Reading Circle."

Correspondence in all its different branches was discussed at the meeting over which B. E. Helman, of Cleveland, presided. Rev. J. R. Barkus, of Temple, Texas, opened with a strong address on the duties of the secretary.

The missionary conference was conducted by W. W. Cooper, of Kenosha, Wis. Among the principal matters discussed were "Students' Volunteer Movement," by Miss Ruth Siles, of Poo Chow, China, and a "Message from the Field," by Rev. E. H. Richards, Norwalk, O.

F. H. Barbour, of Evansville, Ind., conducted the Junior League meeting. "The Ideal Junior Superintendent," was taken up by Mrs. Annie E. Smiley, of Milford, Mass.

"The Place of the Junior League in the Church," introduced by Miss Campbell, of Suffolk, Va., was thoroughly discussed.

The afternoon meetings were attended by large audiences. In Massey hall Bishop J. M. Waldron acted as chairman, and Rev. S. T. Westhofer, of Chattanooga, Tenn., spoke of "Christ in Personal Experience."

In the pavilion, R. M. Keeler, of Longview, Texas, was chairman. Speeches drawn from the life of Christ were made by Revs. D. F. Stout, of St. Paul; Rev. J. T. Harlin, of New York; Bruce L. Rice, of Clarksville, Tenn., and Rev. W. H. Jordan, of Sioux Falls, S. D.

At Cook's church, Rev. E. S. Osborn, of Yonkers, acted as chairman. The same topics were handled by Frederick T. Keeney, of Elmira, N. Y.; Miss Emma Tucker, of Atlanta; Rev. J. M. Mahood, of Webster City, Iowa; Rev. C. J. Rice, of Columbia, S. C., and Rev. C. J. Murray, of South Atlanta, Ga.

The meetings to-night were given up to missionary addresses and the topic was the world for Christ. The houses and churches were all crowded by the leaguers and the general public.

Lost Child Found Dead.

STROUDSBURG, Pa., July 16.--After searching ten days the body of the little two and one-half year old child of Amadus Dunlap and wife, of near Mount Pocono, has been found. A party of berry pickers late on Thursday came across the dead body, lying on the ground two miles from where the child had been left by its brothers and sisters. From appearances, the child suffered great torture. The grief-stricken parents buried the body of the child at once.

As Good as Gold.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 16.--A party of Vancouverites have chartered the steamer Capitana and intend to ship seventy-five to 100 oxen to the Klondyke and in the Yukon country, where beef steaks are fabulous prices. Exports from the Vancouver consular district to the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, amounted to \$2,501,429, the largest on record, being over \$500,000 more than last year.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Two West Virginians Try to Avenge Their Fancied Wrong.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

SISTERSVILLE, July 16.--The intelligence has just reached this city through the officers who are trailing the men who attempted the deed of a dastardly attempt at murder at a point about ten miles over in Ohio at a place called Stringtown. It seems from what can be learned that a couple of men named Neer, father and son, who live in the vicinity of New Martinsville, in this state, had trouble a short time ago with a respectable and highly honored farmer living near Stringtown, and before the trouble was ended the Neers both said that they would put the gentleman, whose name is Howe, out of the way.

Tuesday two men drove up to the Howe's home and called him out. Supposing it was some one who desired to stay over night, Howe went out to help them put their team away, and just as he got outside of the door the elder of the two men hit him with a club and knocked him down. He then continued beating the prostrate man until he was in a terrible condition and was unconscious.

At the time of the assault some young men were passing by and hearing the commotion rushed to the rescue of Howe, and succeeded in frightening the other fellows away. The Neers jumped into their rig and drove away as rapidly as possible and before officers could be notified they had gained such a start that they were enabled to get out of Ohio into this state.

Mr. Howe is in a very precarious condition and there are grave doubts of his recovery. The assaults will be arrested at once and held pending the result of the injuries received by Howe.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT.

Peanut Roaster Explodes, Instantly Killing a Horse.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

SISTERSVILLE, July 16.--To-day about noon a peanut roaster which was run by steam exploded in front of an Italian fruit store in this city, and in addition to wrecking the building and breaking all the glass in a number of buildings close by, killed a horse, and several people were slightly injured by pieces of broken glass being blown into their flesh.

The roaster was a very small affair but it made noise enough for a twenty horse power boiler and the explosion was of such terrific force that pieces of the machine were blown several hundred yards. The greater part of the machine struck the horse, which was hitched near, and killed it instantly. A group of men standing on the opposite side of the street talking were directly in line with the machine and but for the horse would have been struck, and possibly several of them killed. It was a very narrow escape.

BIG SUIT ENTERED

By Grafton Coal & Coke Company Against a Philadelphia Firm.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

GRAFTON, W. Va., July 16.--Suit was instituted to-day in the circuit court of Taylor county by the Grafton Coal & Coke company against W. T. Rainey & Co., of Philadelphia, for \$20,000. The papers in the case allege a breach of contract made last year for the sale of 125,000 tons of coal to the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company, for shipment to Boston, New Haven and Providence, Rainey, it is alleged, bought the coal and before delivering it to the railroads at the points of consignment, mixed it with slack and cheaper coal to such an extent as to cause the coal to be condemned by the railroad company.

Driven Off by Indians.

HERMOISELLE, Mexico, July 16.--It is reported here that the exploring expedition of Jesse Grant and associates which landed on Tibouron Islands, in the Gulf of California, have been driven off the island by the Seri Indians. The expedition will go to Guaymas, where the vessel will be loaded with more men and another effort made to explore the island. The Seri Indians are said to be cannibals and the exploring party made but little resistance when a strong force of the Indians ordered them from the island.

Sent Up for Life.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., July 15.--Wiley Lewis, the leader of the notorious gang of murderers and robbers at Montgomery, was tried to-day in the criminal court here for the murder of John Cochran, colored, near Montgomery, last February. Lewis was sentenced to life imprisonment. He pleaded guilty of murder in the first degree, and by agreement of counsel on both sides and the court, he escaped with his neck. Lewis is a mulatto.

Love Saves the Wound.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

SISTERSVILLE, July 16.--George Collins, the young man from Ohio who attempted to kill himself by shooting in a cafe in this city, is getting along nicely and it is believed he will recover. The young lady over whom it is supposed he attempted to take his life has been to see him several times, and it has been reported that they have settled all difficulties and as soon as Collins recovers sufficiently there will be a romantic ending to the episode.

Fair Fare Collectors.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

STEUBENVILLE, O., July 16.--The street cars here are being liberally patronized to-night, as they have been chartered by the King's Daughters for the evening, the fares to go to the hospital fund. Young ladies attired in colored skirt waists, white duck skirts and white caps are acting as conductors and collecting fares. A lawn fete is being held on Franklin avenue also.

A Veteran Missing.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

STEUBENVILLE, O., July 16.--Friends of Samuel Caldwell, of Paris, Pa., a veteran of the late war, who is mysteriously missing, are here trying to locate him. He was here, and had a pension check cashed at a local bank on Wednesday, and has not been seen since.

They're All Right.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 16.--There appears to be no foundation in fact for the disquieting reports sent out from here by special correspondents regarding the health of United States Senators Gorman and Wellington, by which it is made to appear that both are seriously ill.

TREND OF TRADE.

Scarcely a Feature of Business That is Not Encouraging.

CROP PROSPECTS IMPROVED

While Foreign Advice Continue to Promise a Large Demand--In Many Home Industries, Especially the Building Interests, There is More Activity Than in Any Year Since 1893--With Money Markets Unclouded there is Nothing to Hinder Rapid Improvement--Output of Blast Furnaces Large for the Season--Wool Prices Stronger.

NEW YORK, July 16.--R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-morrow will say:

Excepting the great coal miners' strike, which may terminate at any time, there is scarcely a feature of the business outlook which is not encouraging, the season considered. Crop prospects have been improved by needed rain in some regions, and foreign advice continue to promise a large demand. In many home industries, particularly in building, there is more activity than in any year since 1893, and the week has brought a better demand in boots and shoes and in wools, while the movement of freight, mainly iron ore, through the Sault Ste Marie canal is the largest in its history.

With money markets unclouded there is nothing in sight to hinder rapid improvement when uncertainty about legislation has been removed, for the miners' strike could not last long if business and industries should become active. There is much less apprehension of a failure of fuel supply than there was during the first few days, when prices rapidly advanced, and large quantities of coal from West Virginia have reached northern markets, but some of the miners in that state have struck.

The advance in wheat to 84c was not due to the government estimate, which was followed by a decline, but to foreign advice and considerable buying for export. Cotton is 1-16c higher, the closing or partial stoppage of important New England mills hardly neutralizing in market estimation the apprehensions of injury from drought.

The cotton market does not yet reduce large accumulated stocks, as the curtailment of production shows, but is growing a little more healthy without change in price. Speculation in the wool market continues, with prices at all points stronger. The output of iron furnaces July 1 was 164,064 tons weekly, against 168,280 June 1, but several furnaces have gone into blast since July 1, and the output is large for the season. Presumably a large share of it is to supply the great steel companies, which are even now putting more furnaces into blast and have heavy orders taken when prices were dropped, while the demand for structural shapes and plates is large, and for bars improving, though steel bars are now at the lowest quotation ever known in Pittsburgh, 87 1/2 to 90 cents, with Bessemer pig quoted slightly lower.

Tin plates are also lower at \$3.10 for full weight, and less than \$3 is paid for 100 pound boxes.

Failures for the week have been 263 in the United States, against 209 last year, and 27 in Canada, against 29 last year.

BOSTON WOOL MARKET.

Prices Advance Two Cents Over Last Week--Speculation Dropping Off.

BOSTON, July 16.--The Boston Commercial Bulletin will say to-m